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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	) Group Art Unit: 3724
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Morikatsu MATSUDA et al.	) Examiner: C. Goodman
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Application No.: 09/661,459	) Atty. Dkt. No. 000004.0066
Filed: September 13, 2001	)
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For: PUNCHING MACHINE	) Date: August 26, 2003
AND METHOD THEREOF	)

**AMENDMENT** 

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003. A petition for a three-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: